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SUBJECT: TROPICAL PRODUCTS WORK PROGRAM: COMMENTS ON  
SECRETARIAT PROPOSAL

REF: GENEVA 1117

1. THE FOLLOWING ARE USG COMMENTS ON SECRETARIATS PRO-  
POSED WORK PROGRAM KEYED TO TEXT OF PARA 2 REFTTEL.

2. PARA I. THIS PARA COULD BE STRENGTHENED BY INDICATING  
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SPECIFICALLY THAT WE ARE ASKING FOR SPECIFIC TARIFF

(IDENTIFIED BY TARIFF NUMBER) AND NTB CONCESSIONS SOUGHT.

3. PARA II. AGREED TO AS IS.

4. PARA III. WE FEEL THAT PARA III IS IMPROPERLY PLACED AND SHOULD BE REPLACED BY PARAGRAPH FOLLOWING PARA V, ALONG THE FOLLOWING LINES: ARRANGEMENTS WOULD BE MADE FOR A DISCUSSION OF OFFERS WITH A VIEW TO PUTTING TOGETHER AN ACCEPTABLE TROPICAL PRODUCTS PACKAGE AT AN EARLY STAGE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE DATES FOR SUCH DISCUSSION TO BE DETERMINED ON THE BASIS OF PROGRESS IN THE CONSULTATIONS REFERRED IN PARA V.

5. PARA IV. WE FEEL THIS PARA IS UNNECESSARY AND IS DEALT WITH SATISFACTORILY BY THE SECRETARIAT ELSEWHERE, PARTICULARLY IN PARA I, AND THEREFORE WOULD PREFER THAT IT BE DELETED.

6. PARA V. AGREE WITH PARA V, BUT FEEL IT SHOULD BE ELABORATED ON AND CLARIFIED. WE ENVISION THAT CONSULTATIONS COULD TAKE PLACE AMONG INTERESTED PARTICIPANTS WHICH COULD INCLUDE MORE THAN ONE OFFERING COUNTRY. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS EXERCISE, OFFERS SHOULD BE UNDERSTOOD MORE BROADLY THAN IS CUSTOMARY AND COULD INCLUDE OFFERS TO BE TABLED IN OTHER PARTS OF THE NEGOTIATION.

7. PARA VI. WE BELIEVE IT IS PREMATURE TO DEFINE THE PRECISE ROLE OF THE GROUP AND THEREFORE ANY REFERENCE TO ITS ROLE SHOULD BE DELETED. OTHER PORTIONS OF THE PARA, INCLUDING THOSE REFERRING TO NTB'S WILL HAVE BEEN COVERED ELSEWHERE IF OUR SUGGESTIONS ARE ACCEPTED, AND THEREFORE, WE PREFER TO HAVE IT DELETED SINCE THERE IS NO NECESSITY FOR IT.

8. PARA VII. WE WOULD PREFER THAT PARA VII BE DELETED BECAUSE IT MAY RAISE THE DEFINITIONAL PROBLEM. WE RECOGNIZE THE PROPOSAL WILL BE DISCUSSED, AND IF OTHER COUNTRIES EXHIBIT STRONG INTEREST IN HAVING A STATEMENT LIKE THIS IN THE WORK PROGRAM, WE WOULD PREFER THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE; THE GROUP COULD EXAMINE PROBLEMS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WITHIN ITS PURVIEW WHICH APPEAR TO REQUIRE MULTILATERAL ACTION WITH A VIEW TO WORKING OUT APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS AND SOLUTIONS EITHER WITHIN THE GROUP OR ELSEWHERE.

9. PARA VIII. AGREE. KISSINGER

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